

MARINE CORPS EMERGENCY ACTIONS CENTER
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SUMMARY OF ITEMS OF SIGNIFICANT INTEREST

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PERIOD 280701 - 290700 SEPTEMBER 1962

1. CARIBBEAN

a. CNO HAS INFORMED CINCLANTFLT, CNARESTRA, AND OTHER EFFECTED COMMANDS THAT DUE TO THE INCREASINGLY HIGH LEVEL OF INTEREST REGARDING THE U. S. DEFENSE POSTURE IN THE CARIBBEAN AREA IT IS PLANNED TO SEND A GROUP OF APPROXIMATELY 15 WASHINGTON NEWSMEN AND 20 TENNESSEE PRESS ASSOCIATION (TPA) MEMBERS TO SAN JUAN, ROOS RDS, VIEQUES AND GTMO DURING THE PERIOD 20-25 OCT. THEY WILL OBSERVE AN AMPHIBIOUS EXERCISE AT VIEQUES ON 23 OCT.

CNO 281518Z (U)

2. ASIA

a. CINCPAC HAS INFORMED JCS THAT WITH REGARD TO A COUNTER-INSURGENCY PLAN FOR THAILAND, ADM DAWEE, THAI MILAD TO SEATO, HAS EXPRESSED A VIEWPOINT THAT IS TANTAMOUNT TO HAVING SEATO MILITARY CAPABILITIES DIRECTED TOWARDS THE DEFENSE OF THAILAND'S BORDERS RATHER THAN BEING RESPONSIVE TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF EMERGENCY DEMANDS TO PROTECT THE TREATY AREA.

CINCPAC 280620Z (TS)

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b. JCS HAS ADVISED CINCPAC OF THE STATE DEPARTMENT'S CONCERN OVER SPECULATION WHICH MAY ARISE FROM EXERCISE KOREA FY 63-1 SINCE ROK TRAINING FOR COVERT TYPE OPERATIONS IS IN VIOLATION OF THE ARMISTICE AGREEMENT.

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JCS REQUESTED THAT PUBLIC RELATIONS AGENCIES CONCERNED ANTICIPATE INQUIRIES AND PREPARE IN ADVANCE A REPLY TO THE EFFECT THAT THE TRAINING IS ROUTINE AND PROMOTES CLOSER ROK-US COORDINATION AND SKILLS IN NEW TACTICS.

JCS 282146Z (S)

c. THE 81ST AND 33RD ARMY TRANSPORTATION COMPANIES (EQUIPPED WITH H-21 HELICOPTERS) ARRIVED AT SAIGON ON 17 SEP, AND HAVE BEEN DEPLOYED TO PLEIKU AND BIEN HOA RESPECTIVELY. BOTH COMPANIES ARE EXPECTED TO BE FULLY OPERATIONAL BY 6 OCT. THIS DEPLOYMENT RAISES THE NUMBER OF ARMY HELO COMPANIES IN SVN FROM THREE TO FIVE.

JWR (C)

d. OUSARMA NEPAL HAS REPORTED TO DA THAT THERE ARE STRONG INDICATIONS THAT THE KING OF NEPAL DESIRES TO SIGN A MILITARY PACT AND IS ALSO INTERESTED IN AN AFFILIATION WITH SEATO.

OUSARMA NEPAL 281105Z (S)

3. MARINE CORPS

a. CG FMFPAC HAS ADVISED CMC THAT THE ISSUE OF M-14 RIFLES TO 3D MAW AND OTHER WEST COAST AVIATION UNITS HAS BEEN

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HELD UP DUE TO SHORTAGE OF CARTRIDGE BELTS. ALSO, AS OF 22 SEP, 8710 BELTS WERE STILL DUE FOR THE 3D MARDIV.

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CG FMFPAC 281811Z (U)

4. MISCELLANEOUS

a. OSD HAS ADVISED ALL CINCS AND COMUSMACV THAT A JOINT DOD/CIA COMMITTEE FOR COUNTER-INSURGENCY R&D PROJECTS HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED TO REVIEW CURRENT DOD AND CIA PROGRAMS, AND WORKING GROUPS WILL VISIT THEIR COMMANDS DURING 1-12 OCT.

OSD WASH DC 272241Z (S)

OSD WASH DC 282125Z (S)

b. JCS HAS INFORMED CINCNORAD THAT THE ANNUAL VISIT BY THE JOINT STAFF TO NORAD HEADQUARTERS IS SCHEDULED FOR NOV WITH THE WEEK OF 12 THRU 16 NOV PREFERRED.

JCS 282044Z (U)

5. MOVEMENTS

a. 1ST RECON BN, AND ELEMENTS OF THE 1ST SVC BN AND 1STFSR ARRIVED CWTC BRIDGEPORT, CALIF., YESTERDAY, 28 SEP, FOR COLD WEATHER TRAINING.

CG 1ST MARDIV 282040Z (U)

b. CMC DEPARTED SAIGON 280042Z AND ARRIVED BANGKOK 280337Z.

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280505Z (U)

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c. MAJ/GEN F. C. THARIN WILL ASSUME COMMAND OF 3D MAW
ON 1 OCT, RELIEVING MAJ/GEN J. P. CONDON.

CG 3RD MAW 281600Z (U)

d. MAJ/GEN BOWSER ARRIVED ANDREWS, AFB, YESTERDAY,
23 SEP, FROM MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE.

FLTSEC ANDREWS AFB 282105Z (U)

e. MAJ/GEN A. F. BINNEY, WAS ADMITTED TO THE NAVAL
HOSPITAL, PORTSMOUTH, VA., YESTERDAY, 28 SEP, FOR AN ESTIMATED
3 DAYS. THE DIAGNOSIS IS ACUTE SINUSITIS.

NAVHOSP PORTSMOUTH VA 281808Z (U)

6. DEFCONS

a. NO CHANGE.

JWR

7. SELECTED ITEMS FROM DIA BULLETIN 28 SEPTEMBER 1962

a. CUBA

IN CUBA, THREE MORE SA-2 (SAM) SITES HAVE BEEN
IDENTIFIED, INCREASING THE TOTAL OF CONFIRMED AIR DEFENSE MISSILE

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SITES TO 14. THESE NEWEST IDENTIFICATIONS ARE ALL IN ORIENTE PROVINCE, THE EASTERNMOST CUBAN PROVINCE. IT IS ANTICIPATED THAT AS THE SOVIET ARMING OF CUBA CONTINUES, THIS NUMBER WILL INCREASE.

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b. IT IS REPORTED THAT THE SOVIET UNION HAS TRANSFERRED AN ESTIMATED TOTAL OF 16 KOMAR-CLASS GUIDED-MISSILE PATROL BOATS TO CUBA.

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